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REMARKS

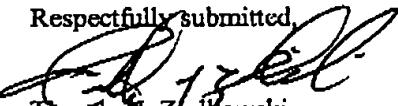
Claims 1-35 are pending in the present application. In the final Office Action mailed March 7, 2003, claims 1-7 and 22-25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Klatt et al. (USP 6,415,277). Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication of allowance for claims 8-21 and 26-35. Applicant hereby cancels all non-allowed claims to place this case in condition for allowance.

The Examiner objected to the Specification "because it has no field of invention." Applicant believes the Specification clearly includes a field of invention. Specifically, paragraph [0001] states that "[t]he present invention relates generally to electronically reporting the status of product availability, number of orders, and current sales revenue." If the Examiner is suggesting that a heading "Field of the Invention" is required, Applicant respectfully disagrees. Such titles are not required but are merely suggested under the MPEP. MPEP §608.01(a) simply states that "the following order of arrangement of specification elements is preferable in framing the non-provisional specification..." MPEP §608.01(c) states that the "background of the invention ordinarily comprises two parts: (1) Field of the Invention: a statement of the field of art in which the invention pertains..." Applicant believes that the Specification satisfies all requirements of the MPEP in that a field of the invention is "set forth" in paragraph [0001]. No such specific sub-heading is required. As such, Applicant requests withdrawal of the Examiner's objection.

Therefore, in light of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully believes that the present application is in condition for allowance. As a result, Applicant respectfully requests timely issuance of a Notice of Allowance for claims 8-21 and 26-35.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's consideration of these Amendments and Remarks and cordially invites the Examiner to call the undersigned, should the Examiner consider any matters unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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